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Applicant hereby petitions for a one month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated, thereby extending the time period within which to respond to May 12, 2001.

In response to the Office Action mailed January 12, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Claims

Please replace claim 14 as shown below. A marked up version of the amended claim is attached to this Amendment.

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